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## Obama back on trail after besting Romney in debate



Some 65.6 million people watched the second televised debate between President Barack Obama and Republican rival Mitt Romney, a survey showed.

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## Official IOM Symposium on Human Trafficking begins today at Surfside Marina



Trafficking survivor Shamere McKenzie



Jeanette Richardson Barr



Organizers and Presenters with Minister

The Aruban government has been conducting human trafficking awareness events since Tuesday, many particularly aimed at island youth. Today begins two days of closed sessions with guest lecturers and the personnel of the Aruba Anti-Human Trafficking and Smuggling Task Force headed by Jeanette Richardson-Barr. Today is Aruba's National Day against Human Trafficking, and the task force welcomes delegates to the symposium from Caribbean countries that closely interact with Aruban authorities and civil society on the issue of human trafficking.

Speakers were introduced to island media yesterday. They included Chissy Muller, Project Manager of International Organization for Migration, IOM, out of Trinidad and Tobago, Shamere McKensie, of sharedhope International, and Aruban Criminologist Leticia Maduro, a graduate of the Leiden University. She is presently conducting a study to produce a report on human trafficking on Aruba.

Chissy Muller explained the Youth Art Contest being initiated by IOM for youngsters ages 12 to 17, on Aruba. School art programs are being encouraged to participate in having students create original

works of art depicting circumstances of human trafficking that they perceive taking place. It could apply to a number of circumstances they observe, where workers are not afforded the same equality and rights of Arubans, or which they deserve.

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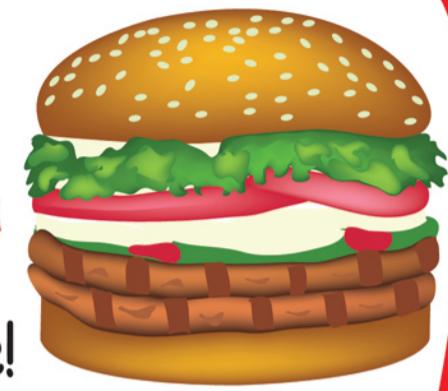
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## Results of Population Research on Breast Cancer in Aruba



Breast cancer is considered one of the most prominent types of cancer on Aruba. It is also considered the most common cancer in women worldwide. Globally, one in every 9 women will be faced with breast cancer diagnosis during the course of their lives. During the last years in Aruba we have noted almost 80 new cases of breast cancer every year. From this number about half of the women are between the ages of 45 to 65 years.

The Foundation for Breast cancer Research among the Population of Aruba (BOB Aruba) was officially founded on October 12th 2012. The objective of the foundation is to, in a structured manner, examine women between the ages

of 45 to 75. And, to do this every two years through the use of a Mammogram machine which helps to detect cancer of the breast. This type of screening will help with the early detection and consequently will improve the chances for a longer life.

In Holland the investigation of breast cancer among the population exists now for over 20 years, and more than 80% of the women to participate in the screening accept the free examination. Curacao has also begun a structured Breast screening program since 2010. The screening currently taking place on Aruba is not structured. Primary care physicians, the patient and a specialist need to be reminded to do the

Mammogram test. Often these tests are done too frequently and sometimes too infrequent or not at all.

BOB Aruba wants to put emphasis on, among others, information and awareness of the necessity for screening among the population. Within one year they want to begin the real screening.

The Board of this new foundation is comprised of persons working in different related departments or associations.

The BOB Aruba Foundation is inviting all women between ages 45 to 75 to do a Mammogram test every 2 years. Participation is free and voluntary. The Mammogram test is evaluated by 2 radiologists working for the Foundation. Every participant will receive a letter at home outlining the results of the test. Should there be any problem the participant will be advised to visit their primary care physician. He/she will determine what should be the next steps.

The BOB Aruba Foundation, in this first phase of their work is working with a team of volunteers. If you are interested and willing to contribute of your time and abilities, you're invited to attend the information night planned for Tuesday, October 30th at 7:30 in the Fantastic Gardens Conference room. There they will provide information on how volunteers can be of help to the Foundation.

Members of the BOB Aruba Foundation area: President Drs. V. William (Mammapolis), Vice-President, F. Flanegin (KWF), Treasurer, Drs. R. Anthony (HAVA), Secretary, L. Strijdhafstig, Ing. E. Maduro (DESPA), and E. de Cuba. Also serving are: M. Palm and E. Werleman (Mary Joan Foundation), Dr. Daryanani and M. Tobel.

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## Santa Rosa's programs utilizes the 4 elements of nature

ORANJESTAD -- This week Santa Rosa will be making a presentation during the celebration of "the week of cultural contact" where they will present to students of the 4th, 5th and 6th grades of primary schools.

The Santa Rosa presentation will be based on the 4 elements of nature, namely, water, wind, earth and fire. During the presentation, Santa Rosa will indicate how they also utilize these 4 elements. For example, water and wind is used in connection with the wind mill.

The wind mill used to be the source for agriculture and personal use. Many homes outside of the city center of Oranjestad and of San Nicolas did not have access to the water pipes of WEB and depended on wind mills to produce water and to pump water to a collection tank for use by the community.

Santa Rosa is currently repairing all the government water wells around the island. This is to help our agriculturists and livestock farmers to reduce their cost of water.

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**Santa Rosa's programs utilizes the 4 elements of nature**

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There are already two wells functioning optimally at Pos Grandi and at Kudawechha.

The wind mills are used to pump water which is used for watering the earth and to help our farmers. Before and now agriculture (the earth), is very important to be able to put food on our tables every day.

The other element, fire, was also an important part of agriculture in the past. Land designated for planting was burned after a failed crop. This was done to drive away any disease which could affect the next crop, and at the same time to make the land more fertile.

Today, fire is used for a variety of things. Fire is used primarily in the kitchen, to cook the products (foods) from our crops.

## Tiara Air Aruba inaugurates offices in Bonaire



Tiara Air Aruba, this week proudly inaugurated their ticket sales office and Kiosk at the Flamingo Airport in Bonaire. At the same time Tiara Air Aruba proudly received and introduced their Boeing 737-300 to the Bonaire community.

The ceremony and reception in Bonaire were filled with moments of much satisfaction and emotion for both the management of Tiara Air Aruba and their employees. The airline is ready to offer their excellent service as usual at the Bonaire airport and in the Caya

Simon Bolivar for the entire Bonaire population.

On the occasion of the inauguration ceremony, Deputy Burney El Hage was on hand to express his congratulations to the Aruba airline. The Bonaire Deputy remarked how he has seen the airline grow from small together with Bonaire and is continuing to grow.

CEO of Tiara Air Aruba, Mr. Alejandro Muyale was also present for the festive evening along with several invitees who all welcomed the Boeing 737-300 to Bonaire.



Muyale and his dynamic team cut the ribbon symbolically initiating their service to Bonaire.

There was much excitement on board the plane as it arrived on Bonaire, and those waiting

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## Aruba Tourism Authority represents Aruba at IMEX America

ORANJESTAD — Recently, Aruba Tourism Authority (ATA) associates participated in the IMEX America Expo at the Expo & Convention Center - Venetian/Palazzo, Las Vegas. IMEX America is the biggest World Exhibition for Incentive Travel, Meetings and Events. The Expo hosted approximately 2,400 qualified buyers from the U.S. and 43 other countries, more than 2500 exhibitions and over 1700 visitors.

During the 4-day event IMEX America provided ATA with invaluable business and high quality networking opportunities. The Aruba Booth had a full schedule of events, including meetings with organizers from North and Latin America and Europe.

These kind of tradeshows afford ATA personnel invaluable contacts and resources to promote Aruba as an ideal



place for meetings, incentive travel and destination events. It also enhances business potential for our island.

Representing Aruba was ATA's Jerusha Rasmijn, accompanied by representatives

of Marriott Aruba Resort, Westin Resort & Casino, Radisson Resort & Casino, Red Sail Sports, De Palm Tours, Eco Destination Management Services, and Epic.

## Subway Employee Appreciation Day: motivating and inspiring

This week it was obvious that Subway considers the work of their employees to be very valuable and deserving of appreciation. Hence, the reason for celebrating their Employee Appreciation Day in a very different manner than the usual. This year all employees were treated to a seminar to lift their spirits and propel their potential as well as to transform their negative thinking into positive thoughts. The event was staged at the prestigious Renaissance Convention Center in a very pleasant ambiance.

The Minister of Economic Affairs was at hand to do the opening speech. She spoke of the importance of the Subway Company with respect to local employment and their contribution to the general economy of the island.

The seminar was comprised of a team of speakers who presented a variety of relevant topics. Among the lineup of speakers were: Eric Bennet of Life Transforming Institute, Ivone Simon Andrade, business woman, Pastor Tabitha Smith Heemstadt, Esther Pezij-Broeksema of Aruba Learning, and expert in communication, Nathaly Cabrera. These speakers offered valuable tips and methods that the employees could use in their work as well as in their personal lives.

Following the program, they participated in a sumptuous dinner during which they announced the employee of the



year for each Subway outlet. Congratulations went to Gusline Dirksz – Subway Palm Beach, Gloria Dijkhoff – Subway Alhambra, Clara Yzaguirre – Subway Cura Cabay, Elena Marizan – Subway Renaissance Market, Denia Moncion – Subway Certified Mall, Maria de la Paz – Subway Pareda and Claudia Figaroa – Subway Santa Cruz. Each was 'crowned', employee of the year 2012! Each received a

lovely memento from management for their efforts and collegiality and excellent service to clients.

Management of Subway was very grateful for the excellent presentations by their speakers. They had much praise for the excellent organization of the day's activities and expressed appreciation for the Aruban community that continues to patronize the Subway stores.

## Carubbian Festival is tonight!



SAN NICOLAS -- Every Thursday evening, islanders flock to San Nicolas to enjoy the fabulous bargains and entertainment of the Carubbian Festival, a mix of Aruban and Caribbean traditions kept alive by the multi-cultural make up of Aruba's "Sunrise City."

Originally populated by the thousands that came from all over the Caribbean to work at the refinery, the town has savored and preserved the food, music and dance that many brought with them from their various regions. The festival, from 6:00 to 9:15 p.m., revels in the diverse background of San Nicolas, offering unique dishes and beverages, along with a full evening of island entertainment.

A full roster of some of Aruba's finest criollo entertainers follows including folkloric musical groups, dance groups solo singers, limbo dance by "Miguel Philips" and Carnival show by "Carna-Aruba," and this is only on the main stage!

Scattered throughout the main street of San Nicolas are performance areas surround by seating where you can settle in with an island snack or dinner, including music by steel pan and Brass band."

Island visitors can enjoy the Carubbian festival as part of a complete package available at all De Palm and concierge desks, which include transportation. You can customize your evening by purchasing with or without food and refreshments. A variety of local handicrafts are offered for sale and the event guarantees a good time for all, with an authentic introduction to the island experience.

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## Official IOM Symposium on Human Trafficking...

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The artwork from the contest will illustrate the report being prepared by Ms. Maduro, with the first prize piece adorning the front and back covers. Second and third prize will be prominently displayed within the pages of the report, and it is hoped that other submitted artwork will be used throughout. Winning artists will receive cash prizes of \$100 to \$250.

Ms. Mackenzie came to the podium to speak passionately for community involvement in the battle against human traf-

ficking. She is a "slavery survivor." She described how she was forced into prostitution in the U.S., her homeland, being beaten and threatened repeatedly whenever she refused to comply. For several years she was transported from one state to the next, terrorized and victimized. She explained how one of the greatest impediments to her escaping her situation was that in the eyes of the law, and often society, she was looked upon as a criminal, rather than a victim. Sharedhope International is working

to change the perception on the part of lawmakers as to the plight of those forced into prostitution.

Three pronged programs by both IOM and Sharedhope are based on "prevention, protection and prosecution." Taking action in the first stage, the symposium organizers and speakers did a presentation at the University of Aruba on Tuesday evening and for the students in the most vulnerable age groups on Wednesday afternoon.

Aruba's Minister of Justice

and Education, Arthur Dowers, was present to officially welcome the speakers. He declared "It is an obligation of democratic nations to unite and fight against human trafficking in all of its forms. In no case is it acceptable."

Ms. McKenzie presented the minister with a copy of "Renting Lacy, A Story of America's Prostituted," written by her boss and former congresswoman, Linda Smith with Cindy Coloma.

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## Man arrested in New York Fed bomb plot

NEW YORK (AFP) - A Bangladeshi man with alleged al-Qaeda links was arrested yesterday in New York on charges of plotting to destroy the city's Federal Reserve building with a 1,000 pound bomb.

Quazi Mohammad Rezwunnal Ahsan Nafis, 21, was arrested in Manhattan after he tried to detonate what he thought was a live bomb, but was actually a dummy provided as part of a sting operation, federal prosecutors in Brooklyn said.

The attempt to "destroy a landmark building and kill or maim untold numbers of innocent bystanders is about as serious as the imagination can conjure," FBI acting assistant director Mary Galligan said.

However, the suspect never posed a real risk because the two people he thought were his accomplices "were actually an FBI source and an FBI undercover agent."

Nafis traveled to the United

States in January 2012 "for the purpose of conducting a terrorist attack on US soil," the federal prosecutor's office in Brooklyn said in a statement.

"Nafis, who reported having overseas connections to al-Qaeda, attempted to recruit individuals to form a terrorist cell inside the United States. Nafis also actively sought out al-Qaeda contacts within the United States to assist him in carrying out an attack," the prosecutor's office said.

## Trial date set for high-profile US race case

WASHINGTON (AFP) - A Florida judge yesterday set a June 10 date for the trial of George Zimmerman, a neighborhood watch volunteer who shot dead an unarmed black teenager in an incident that sparked civil rights rallies across the United States.

Zimmerman, 29, has been charged with second-degree

"Unbeknownst to Nafis, one of the individuals he attempted to recruit was actually a source for the FBI."

Nafis allegedly wrote a statement claiming responsibility for his planned attack in which he said he wanted to "destroy America" and referred to slain al-Qaeda founder Osama bin Laden as "beloved."

He has been charged with attempting to use a weapon of mass destruction and attempting to support al-Qaeda.

murder in the killing of Trayvon Martin, 17, on February 26 after tracking him through a gated community in central Florida. The Martin family has said he racially profiled the teen.

Judge Debra Nelson set a June 10 date for the trial, said Michelle Kennedy, spokeswoman for Florida's 18th judicial circuit.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Obama back on trail after besting Romney in debate

IOWA (AFP) - President Barack Obama swung straight back onto the campaign trail Wednesday after out-maneuvering his White House rival Mitt Romney in a comeback debate and re-energizing his faltering re-election bid.

Most observers, backed by anecdotal instant polls, gave Obama victory in Tuesday's second election showdown between the pair. But both candidates were determined to maintain their momentum with less than three weeks until polling day.

An assertive Obama was barely off stage before he took his campaign circus out to Iowa, the swing state where he launched his extraordinary rise to power in the 2008 Democratic primary, and which both men hope to win on Nov. 6.

Meanwhile, the political class was still digesting the repercussions of the latest bitterly contested head-to-head, a so-called "town hall" with questions from members of the public.

Neither man did much to conceal their mutual dislike as they stalked the stage, sometimes just a yard from each other as they traded accusations of dishonesty. Both landed blows but, after his poor earlier showing, a resurgent Obama carried the day.

Romney running mate Paul Ryan stood by his man yesterday, declaring on NBC News that his boss won because he "offered people a very concrete vision about how he's got the experience, the knowledge to get people back to work to grow the economy."

But ad hoc polls from major broadcasters gave the Democrat the edge, and his jubilant supporters took to social media to twist the knife. Analysts

agreed that the Romney surge had hit a speed bump, leaving the race closely matched.

"The Republicans will be disappointed that Romney did not put him away, and the Democrats will be reassured that the president is in full press now," said Linda Fowler, a government professor at Dartmouth College.

Conservative commentator George Will, a longtime presidential observer, said Obama came out ahead in one of the most spirited US debates ever.

Both men "tip-toed right up to the point of rudeness, but stepped back. It was a very good fight," Will told ABC News. "I have seen every presidential debate in American history since the floor of Nixon and Kennedy in 1960. This was immeasurably the best."

Bouncing back after being pilloried even by his own side for appearing passive and listless during their first encounter in Denver, Obama was a different character on stage at New York's Hofstra University.

In one spellbinding exchange, Obama glared at Romney and rebuked him over his criticism of the White House's handling of an attack on the US consulate in Benghazi, Libya on September 11, which killed four Americans.

"The suggestion that anybody on my team... would play politics or mislead when we've lost four of our own, governor, is offensive," Obama said, wagging his finger at Romney across the stage.

"That's not what we do. That's not what I do as president, not what I do as commander-in-chief," Obama said, in the most memorable clash of one of the most ill-tempered and contentious White House debates ever.

### Turkish artillery strikes back after Syrian mortar bomb hit

ANKARA (AFP) - Turkish artillery yesterday struck back at Syria after a Syrian mortar bomb landed on Turkish territory, local sources quoted by news agency Anatolia said.

Border troops in the Hatay province fired off a mortar strike at Syria, in retaliation for the Syrian bomb which struck Turkish territory at around 1315 GMT, the office of Hatay's governor said in a statement quoted by Anatolia.

A mortar bomb fired from Syria landed yesterday in southeastern Turkey but caused no casualties, Turkish NTV re-

ported, citing local officials.

It landed on the bank of the Orontes River, which flows through both countries, in the Turkish province of Hatay, the channel said.

Turkey has for more than 10 days retaliated systematically on each occasion that its border with Syria has been violated by mortar bombs from across the frontier.

Ankara has taken an increasingly strident line towards its southern neighbour since a shell fired from the Syrian side of the border killed five Turks on October 3.



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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Arafat widow questioned ahead of expected exhumation

RAMALLAH (AFP) - French investigators probing the death of Yasser Arafat have questioned his widow Suha, who claims the veteran Palestinian leader may have been poisoned, ahead of his expected exhumation.

A source told AFP yesterday that Suha, a resident of Malta, had met three investigators in mid-September in the Paris suburb of Nanterre, where the family's complaint was filed.

"Yes, there was a hearing with the French officials who took my testimony. It was long and I answered the questions frankly to aid their assignment and work," said Suha Arafat, contacted by AFP in Malta by telephone.

She said she was "determined to reach the truth, because the martyr Arafat is an Arab and international personality, and the truth about his

death interests every Palestinian patriot."

"We also want to open such an inquiry to dissuade any party or person from assassinating a Palestinian official in the future, because the truth will clearly emerge, however covert or capable the perpetrators," she said.

France opened a murder enquiry in late August after Arafat's family launched legal action following reports he may have died from radioactive polonium near Paris in 2004.

French investigators are due to arrive in Ramallah, where the former Palestinian leader is entombed, on November 26 as part of the probe they are conducting with experts from a Swiss radiation institute.

Arafat's family has agreed to the exhumation of his remains for testing.

### Afghan girl 'beheaded for refusing prostitution'



Afghan police have arrested four people who allegedly tried to force a woman into prostitution in western Afghanistan and beheaded her when she refused, officials told AFP. Mah Gul, 20, was beheaded after her mother-in-law attempted to make her sleep with a man in her house in Herat province last week. She was married to her husband four months ago and her mother-in-law had tried to force her into prostitution several times in the past. Her mother-in-law, father-in-law, her husband and the man who killed her were arrested. (AFP)

### Suspects quizzed in Spain Chinese mob probe

MADRID (AFP) - A Spanish judge yesterday questioned suspects arrested in a massive crackdown on Chinese gangs suspected of laundering hundreds of millions of euros.

Prosecutors called for bail payments of between 40,000 and 100,000 euros (up to \$131,000) for the eight suspects questioned so far, court sources said, as the first hearings carried on into the night.

Police arrested 83 people in total, of whom more than 58 were Chinese and 17 Spanish, in a series of raids on Tuesday, national police director Ignacio Cosido told reporters.

Among those arrested Tuesday was Chinese businessman

### Architect Oscar Niemeyer hospitalized

RIO DE JANEIRO (AFP) - Brazilian architect Oscar Niemeyer, who is aged 104, has been in the hospital since the weekend, a hospital spokesman said yesterday.

An official at the Samaritano hospital in Rio said no official bulletin on Niemeyer's condition has been released.

In May of this year he was hospitalized for pneumonia and dehydration.

Niemeyer is considered the father of Brazilian architecture. He took part in the design of the Brazilian capital Brasilia in 1960, among 600 other works around the world over the course of his storied career.

Niemeyer currently has some 20 projects underway in several countries.

He won the Pritzker prize, likened to the Nobel for architecture, in 1988.

The master's only daughter, Anna Maria Niemeyer, died of emphysema in June at the age of 82.

in cash in raids across the country over the past two days as well as some 200 vehicles, guns, jewels and works of art.

The authorities also froze the bank accounts of more than 120 people.

The first eight questioned yesterday were all Spanish and included a lawyer, for whom prosecutors demanded 100,000 euros bail, and an employee of a bank, court sources said.

The investigation began in 2009 and focused on the Cobo Calleja industrial zone in Fuenlabrada, considered the biggest Chinese wholesale hub in Europe.

The zone is a source of cheap goods imported from China and sells shoes, clothes, jewellery and other wholesale goods, distributing them across Europe.



European, pro-Palestinian activists plan to break an Israeli blockade of Gaza through a ship carrying food to the besieged strip. The Estelle, which first set off from Sweden and left Naples in Italy on October 6, stopped in international waters off the island of Crete Tuesday afternoon, where it loaded up with food and passengers. The Estelle is expected to arrive in Gaza around Saturday (AFP)

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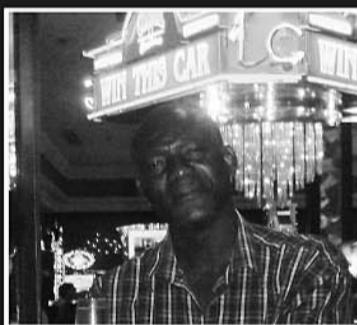


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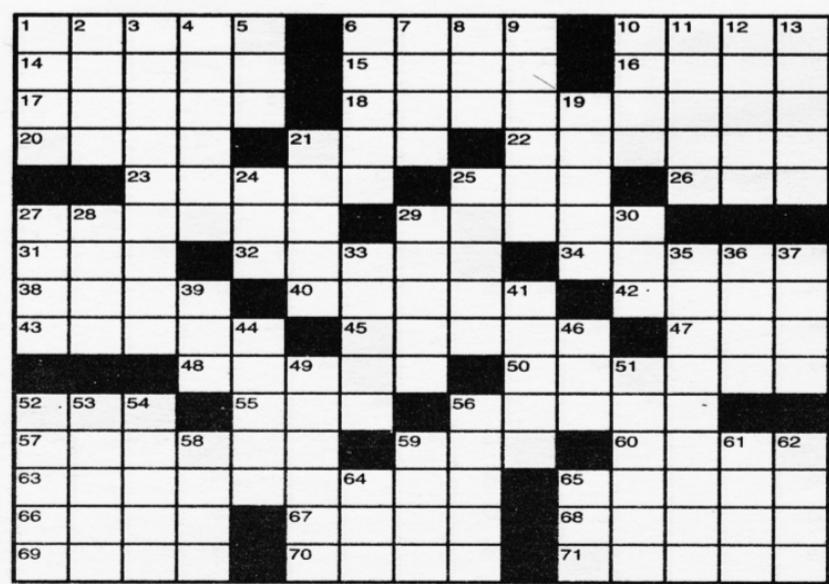
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- Fastener
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- No longer are
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- Writer Faludi
- Miss.'s neighbor

- Render unclear
- Pep Boys' plethora
- Wooden nickel
- Cavalryman's weapon
- Mohair source
- Abominates
- Harvest goddess
- Auditor's inits.
- Rutabaga, for one
- Securing device
- Maximum limit
- Clean one's plate
- Henriksen of "Aliens"
- Garden pests
- Eur. country
- time (never)

- Mork's egg, e.g.
- Suit of mail
- Differently
- Assuage
- Clergyman Norman Vincent —
- Monopoly holding
- Gold item on a perfect paper
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- Short note
- NASA figure
- "The City Never —"
- Each, informally
- relief
- Seer's sign
- After nit or

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- They adorn a rathskeller wall
- Mutts
- Strike caller
- Dame, e.g.
- Difficult to climb
- Ready for use
- Does a taxing 4/15 chore
- Home for a rubber duck
- Bit for a brace
- "The Man in Black"
- Stewpot
- Temperate
- Browbeat
- Surface, to a lapidary
- Elton John hit
- Wrapper's aid
- Piece of numerical info
- "— Shorty" (Travolta film)
- Kingly
- Like Carl Perkins's blue shoes
- Saint, in El Salvador
- Rhythm section instruments
- Alarmed
- In a box
- Pome
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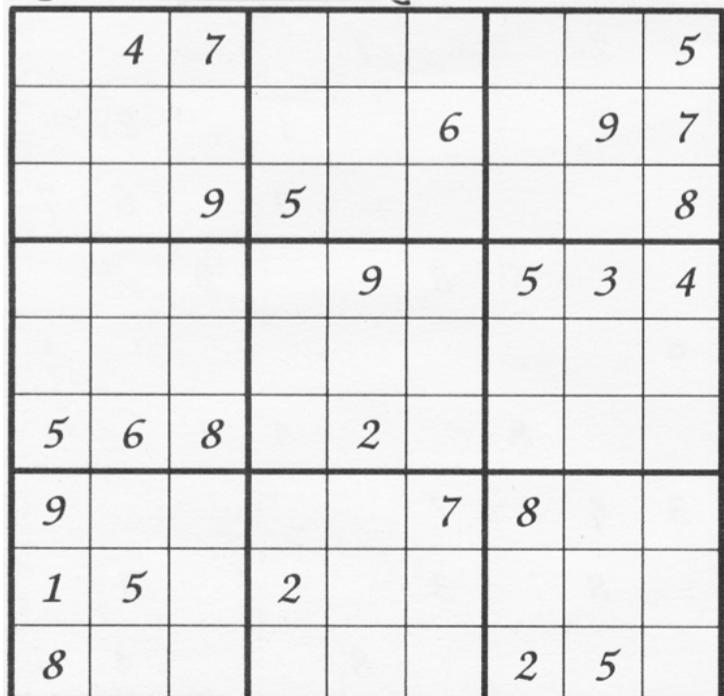
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5	6	8	3	2	4	9	7	1
4	9	3	7	1	5	6	8	2
7	2	1	6	9	8	5	3	4
3	1	6	9	5	7	2	4	6
2	8	5	1	4	6	3	9	7
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## Banks: Others should copy Swiss hunt for illegal assets

GENEVA (AFP) - Other countries should follow Switzerland's lead when it comes to tracing illegal assets hidden in their national banks, Geneva's 80-strong banking association said yesterday.

"We are the country most capable of tracing money that slips through the net," Bernard Droux, the president of the Geneva Financial Center Foundation, told reporters in Geneva.

"When billions go up in smoke due to a big scandal, it is only in Switzerland that one finds some of it, and you never find anything anywhere else," he said, before adding: "Other countries aren't doing their job."

Droux made his comments a day after Swiss authorities

said they had blocked nearly one billion Swiss francs (\$1.1 billion, 800 million euros) in assets linked to former autocratic Middle Eastern leaders since the Arab Spring.

Switzerland had in total blocked about 700 million Swiss francs from Egypt, 60 million from Tunisia, 100 million from Libya and another 100 million from Syria, according to the Swiss foreign ministry.

Switzerland has a long his-

tory of tracing and freezing illegal funds and restituting them to the people of the countries they were stolen from.

Droux pointed to the tracing of \$700 million in funds linked to Nigerian dictator Sani Abacha after his reign ended with his death in 1998.

It was "strange" Droux said that that amount only added up to about one-fifth of the missing assets, while no other country "said anything about it."

## Swiss banks call for more foreign tax deals

GENEVA (AFP) - Switzerland should try to reach more deals like those it has signed with Austria, Britain and Germany to stem tax evasion, Geneva's 80-member banking association said yesterday.

"Several other countries are interested" in such an arrangement, Bernard Droux, president of the Geneva Financial Center Foundation, told reporters.

Faced with mounting international criticism that its banking practices enable wide-scale tax evasion in other countries, Switzerland has agreed in several cases to ease its cherished bank secrecy, and is

negotiating similar agreements with Greece and Italy.

Under the agreements, foreigners that deposit undeclared funds in Switzerland maintain their anonymity but are taxed by Bern, which in turn transfers the revenues to the account holder's country of origin.

Switzerland manages an estimated 35 percent of global assets, according to Geneva private bank Pictet, the equivalent of \$3.0 trillion (2.3 trillion euros).

Geneva-based banks manage 40 percent of the total, it said.

### YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer



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Canada	CAD	<b>1.79</b>	<b>1.81</b>	<b>1.83</b>
Britia	GBP	<b>2.81</b>	<b>2.86</b>	<b>2.92</b>
Switzerland	CHF	<b>192.87</b>	<b>193.59</b>	<b>194.39</b>
Netherlands	EUR	<b>231.56</b>	<b>233.67</b>	<b>236.02</b>
Sweden	SEK	<b>26.00</b>	<b>26.72</b>	<b>27.52</b>
Denmark	DKK	<b>30.36</b>	<b>31.08</b>	<b>31.88</b>
Norway	NOK	<b>30.63</b>	<b>31.35</b>	<b>32.15</b>
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## Finance

### Housing starts surge in positive sign for economy



WASHINGTON -- Ground-breaking on new homes surged in September to its fastest pace in more than four years, a sign the housing sector's budding recovery is gaining traction and supporting the wider economic recovery.

Housing starts increased 15 percent last month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 872,000 units, beating even the most optimistic forecasts on Wall Street, Commerce Department data showed yesterday.

It was the quickest pace of groundbreaking since July 2008, though data on starts is volatile and subject to substantial revisions.

America's economy has shown signs of faster growth in recent months as the jobless rate has fallen and retail sales data has pointed to stronger consumer spending.

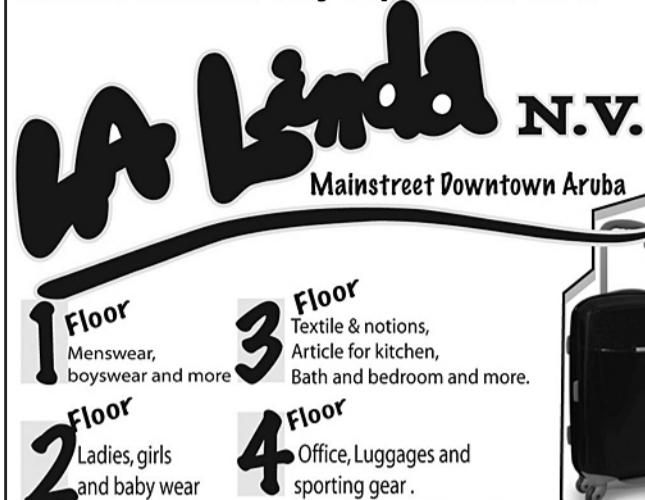
Yesterday's data showed that housing, which was battered by the 2007-09 recession, is increasingly one of the brighter spots in the economy.

### Starbucks could face tax evasion probe



LONDON - Starbucks may face an inquiry into its British tax affairs after a senior MP called for an investigation into how the company could avoid paying tax on 1.2 billion pounds of sales since 2009. Starbucks had been telling investors its UK unit was highly profitable while telling the UK authorities that the unit was loss-making, and thereby not liable for tax.

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## Amnesty International hit with strike over job losses

LONDON (AFP) - Amnesty International, the body which defends human rights around the world, faced protests from its own staff on Wednesday as they went on strike over a dispute about redundancies.

Members of Unite, Britain's largest trade union, who work at Amnesty's global headquarters in London, organised a 24-hour walkout over a planned restructuring programme that could lead to dozens of job losses.

Amnesty is proposing to redistribute more than 500 staff in London to 10 regional hubs around the world, which

Amnesty said would put representatives closer to where human rights violations occur.

Unite official Alan Scott said dozens of staff face uncertainty with jobs expected to be lost before the end of the year, but because "management have torn up the redundancy policy, they have no idea of what will happen to them", he said.

"While many appreciate cuts to staffing are inevitable, Amnesty management must stick to agreements they have signed and publicly stated they will honour in order to dispel the pervasive mistrust that has taken hold in the organisation," he said.

An Amnesty spokesman said: "We very much regret that staff have taken the decision to take industrial action, while fully respecting their right to do so."

Amnesty said only one-third of staff took part in the walkout.

A spokesman said the planned changes would "enhance our capacity to address human rights violations".

Amnesty's British headquarters was previously hit by strikes in separate qualms over spending cuts and job losses.

The organisation, which was founded in 1961, has offices in 80 countries.



RIO DE JANEIRO (AFP) - Brazilian architect Oscar Niemeyer, who is aged 104, has been in the hospital since the weekend, a hospital spokesman said Wednesday. In May of this year he was hospitalized for pneumonia and dehydration. Niemeyer is considered the father of Brazilian architecture. He took part in the design of the Brazilian capital Brasilia in 1960, among 600 other works around the world over the course of his storied career. Niemeyer currently has some 20 projects underway in several countries. He won the Pritzker prize, likened to the Nobel for architecture, in 1988. The master's only daughter, Anna Maria Niemeyer, died of emphysema in June at the age of 82.

## Marie Antoinette's silk slippers sell for 62,000 euros



PARIS (AFP) - A pair of silk slippers believed to have been worn by Marie-Antoinette, the wife of French monarch Louis XVI, sold at auction for 62,460 euros (\$82,025) here on Wednesday.

The size 36-and-a-half (six) slippers, green with ornate pink bands across them and featuring a silk bow, had been expected to sell for between 8,000 and 10,000 euros.

Marie-Antoinette, best known for her "let them eat cake" remark about hungry

protestors during the French revolution, was given the slippers by a member of her court, Alexandre-Bernard Ju-Des-Rets, in 1775.

That was 18 years before she died at the guillotine in the terror that followed the revolution.

A small piece of fabric said to come from the last dress the Austrian-born royal wore before being imprisoned sold for 6,121 euros, twice the estimated value.

## Steak on a Stone-Le Petit Café's specialty

In a time when dining choices and critiques are based on value for your dollar, an old favorite, Le Petit Café, still offers one of the best values not only in price, but quality, quantity and ambiance.

Le Petit Café in Palm Beach offers charming surroundings reminiscent of a European outdoor café. Surrounded by Old World gaslights and an abundance of flora, it provides a delightful and romantic setting. In Oranjestad, diners can enjoy a breathtaking view of the harbor; particularly as the sun dips over the horizon and the lights of town set the waters aglow. Taking advantage of their Early Bird Special not only offers a great price for a delicious meal, but put you in the right place at the right time to enjoy Aruba's most spectacular daily performance; our stunning sunsets.

The Early Bird special offers a choice of a full sized chicken breast, a hefty portion of filet mignon or fresh grouper fillet accompanied by a well-stuffed baked potato, rice or french fries. There is a choice of soup or salad as a starter, and ice cream for dessert, all for an unbeatable price for a great meal on Aruba!

Cooking your main course on the stone is a supremely healthy method of preparation, seasoned to perfection and using no fats or oils. Fish in particular is excellent; extremely moist and tasty. A thick cut of filet mignon usually requires cutting into smaller sections to cook fully, especially if your preference is medium-well to well done.

Le Petit Café is particularly well known for its "Land and Sea" specialty, filet mignon and lobster tail; a gourmet treat when served in their signature fashion. The restaurant also offers a diverse menu of pastas and tempting gourmet appetizers such as seafood crepes, crispy calamari, and escargot. For family members in the mood for something different there are several dishes to choose from, such as chicken parmesan, so a large family with different ideas of what they want for dinner can easily be accommodated.

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is the most important meal of the day, and Le Petit Café has also long been famous for the best value for breakfast on Aruba. They still offer a full breakfast buffet.

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## Budget Car Rental celebrating 50 years budget-minded service!



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Budget has a fleet of 250 autos on Aruba, ranging from subcompact to authentic Jeep Wrangler® hardtop 4X4 or the stylish Toyota Rav 4, for exploring Aruba's outback in air-conditioned comfort. Their standard Toyota Yaris, the most popular model, is known for quality and dependability. Each year, they refresh 25% of their fleet and retire the older cars. Compared to the U.S., car rentals are quite affordable on Aruba, with the third party liability insurance included in the rental rates, as required by law.

Budget's head office is in Camacuri, not far from the airport, but they maintain an outlet right at the airport and another conveniently located in the Arawak Gardens in Palm Beach, an easy stroll from all the Palm Beach resorts. Budget will provide free transportation to their Arawak Gardens outlet from any hotel, and return you to your door when turning in your car.

A Toyota Yaris rents for \$174 for the week; there is an additional airport concession fee to have a car available immediately on arrival, but this is balanced out by the cost of roundtrip fares to most resorts, and on weekly rentals is a decided savings.

Budget has become the world's third largest car rental franchise because of their commitment to quality service and product at the best price possible, and the staff of Budget Car Rental Aruba is equally dedicated to seeing their customers smile.

## SPORTS

# Cycling: Tell truth on doping or you're out, say Sky

LONDON (AFP) - British cycling team Sky revealed Wednesday that all their riders and management will be forced to sign a pledge, swearing that they have never doped or they will be booted out of the squad.

Sky, for whom Bradley Wiggins triumphed in the Tour de France this year, said that all staff must be clean as the sport continues to reel from the Lance Armstrong doping scandal.

"Over the coming weeks, we will talk individually with each team member and ask everyone, at every level of the team, to sign up to a clear written policy, confirming that they

have no past or present involvement in doping," said a Sky statement.

"Should anyone choose not to sign up to our clear policy they will have to leave the team, as will anyone who does sign but is subsequently found to be in breach."

"We are making this statement because we believe it is important to be open about the steps we are taking."

Sky, who also boast the talents of Tour de France runner-up Chris Froome and former world champion Mark Cavendish, said they felt obliged to show fans that they are committed to a clean sport.

"We want a team in which riders are free of the risks of doping and in which fans -- new and old -- can believe without any doubt or hesitation. There is no place in Team Sky for those with an involvement in doping, whether past or present. This applies to management, support staff and riders," added the statement.



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## US, Jamaica advance with World Cup qualifying wins

KANSAS CITY (AFP) - Tottenham striker Clint Dempsey scored two goals to lead the United States over visiting Guatemala 3-1 Tuesday and into next year's North American final round of 2014 World Cup qualifying.

English Premier League striker Dempsey broke a 1-1 deadlock with a goal in the 18th minute and added another in the 36th for the Americans while Jamaica beat Antigua and Barbuda 4-1 to advance at the expense of Guatemala.

Honduras, Panama, Costa Rica and Mexico rounded out next year's six-team World Cup final round qualifying lineup from the Confederation of North, Central American and Caribbean Association Football (CONCACAF).

Honduras routed visiting Canada 8-1 to advance while Panama moved through with a 1-1 draw at winless Cuba and Costa Rica blanked winless Guyana 7-0 to advance on the concluding night of the 12-nation penultimate qualifying round.

Three CONCACAF teams will advance to the 2014 global football showdown in Brazil, with Dempsey saying the US squad needs to improve away from home in order to avoid pushing qualifying fights to the final match.

Carlos Ruiz gave Guatemala the lead with a goal in the fifth minute to put a scare into the Americans at Kansas City. US captain Carlos Bocanegra answered in the 10th minute to equalize, setting the stage for Dempsey's double strike.

At Kingston, Jamaica's "Reggae Boyz" advanced thanks to goals by Dane Richards in the 78th and 88th

minutes. Jamaica and Guatemala each finished 3-2 with one drawn in Group A but Jamaica moved on due to superior goal difference.

Needing a victory to have any chance to advance, Jamaica took command quickly on goals by Demar Phillips in the 16th minute and Nyron Nosworthy, a Watford defender, in the 17th.

Quinton Griffith pulled one back for visiting Antigua and Barbuda in the 61st minute, putting Jamaica's World Cup dream at risk before Richards saved the day.

At Honduras, Jerry Bengtson scored a hat trick while Carlos Costly and Mario Martinez each added two goals for the hosts in a Group C romp that doomed Canada's dreams of reaching Brazil.

Bengtson scored in the seventh and 16th minutes, Costly followed in the 28th minute and Martinez struck in the 32nd. Canada's David Edgar netted an own goal in the 48th minute and Martinez tallied once again in the 62nd minute.

Iain Hume answered for Canada in the 76th minute but Bengtson completed his hat trick in the 82nd minute and Costly finished off the scoring in the 85th.

At Havana, the already-eliminated Cubans netted

their only goal in six qualifying matches when Alberto Gomez scored in the 38th minute.

Nelson Barahona equalized for Panama in the 77th to earn a draw. Honduras and Panama were both 3-1 with two drawn for 11 points but Honduras took the group crown on goal difference and Canada missed out on 10 points.

Costa Rica needed a home victory over winless Guyana to ensure advancement and the Ticos struck quickly, Randall Brenes finding the net in the ninth minute and Cristian Gamboa adding another Costa Rican goal in the 13th minute.

Brenes scored again in the second minute of the second half, Alvaro Saborio boosted Costa Rica's lead on a penalty kick in the 51st minute after Guyana's Walter Moore was ejected and Cristian Bolanos made it 5-0 in the 60th minute.

Celso Borges scored for the Ticos in the 69th minute and Saborio netted the last marker in the 76th.

Mexico's Oribe Peralta opened the scoring in the 64th minute against the Salvadoreans and Javier Hernandez added an insurance goal in the 84th minute to complete a perfect qualifying run for the Tricolores.

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## NHL: Fehr responds to owners' offer

NHL players' union head Donald Fehr claimed that management's latest proposal would cost players more than \$1.6 billion over six years.

Fehr sent a letter to players and agents in which he said the attempt to preserve a full 82-game schedule was improved, but "represents very large, immediate and continuing concessions by players to owners," according to a TSN report.

"Simply put, the owners' new proposal, while not quite as Draconian as their previous proposals, still represents enormous reductions in player salaries and individual contracting rights," Fehr said in



the letter. "As you will see, at the five percent industry growth rate the owners predict, the salary reduction over six years exceeds \$1.6 billion. What do the owners offer in return?"

Owners presented the union a proposal on Tuesday that they hoped would save 82-game season. The league hoped to agree to a deal by Oct. 25 and start the season by Nov. 2.

The sides are scheduled to meet again Thursday.

"We do not yet know whether this proposal is a seri-

ous attempt to negotiate an agreement, or just another step down the road," Fehr wrote. "The next several days will be, in large part, an effort to discover the answer to that question."

The NHL released details Wednesday, a day after sending it to the union. They are proposing a six-year deal with a mutual option for a seventh. The plan includes a 50-50 split in hockey related revenue and a stipulation that guarantees that players receive all of the money owed from existing contracts.

## Tennis: Del Potro wins Vienna opener after 59-ace clash

VIENNA (AFP) - Top seed Juan Martin Del Potro marked his return to tennis after a month-long injury absence on Wednesday with a three-hour victory over German qualifier Daniel Brands to reach the Austrian Open third round.

The Argentine defeated Brands 6-7 (5/7), 7-6 (7/4), 7-6 (8/6) in a match featuring 59 aces and no breaks of serve.

The match point -- Del Potro's second -- was decided by the Hawk-Eye electronic system.

"If I'd known I'd have to start with a three-hour win, I would have stayed home," joked the 2011 finalist, who was playing for the first time since suffering a wrist injury in September's Davis Cup semi-finals.

The Argentine top seed struggled to find any rhythm in the first set, relying on his serve to stay out of trouble against Brands, the world number 111 who made the semi-finals in 2011.

The German won the opening set only to see Del Potro return the favour in the second, claiming it on a fifth set point.

The final set was also tight before Del Potro pulled it out in another tiebreaker.

Two-time champion Juergen Melzer suffered his earliest Vienna defeat in five years as the fourth seed went out in the second round, losing to Gilles Muller, 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (7/4).

The result at the Stadthalle was a huge disappointment for the newly-married 31-year-old, his ranking down to 37 after a number of injuries including a hip problem.

Melzer admitted at the start of the week that he was going into the European indoor season with a loss of form, but remained encouraged by his recent Beijing quarter-final run.

But the Austrian was unable to cope with 18 aces from Muller, a Luxembourg journeyman about to turn 30 without a career title.

Dominic Thiem, 19, who ended the career of comeback king Thomas Muster a year ago at the same venue, defeated Slovak Lukas Lacko 7-6 (7/3), 6-3 to keep home hopes alive.

## Derek Jeter to have surgery



NEW YORK (AFP) - New York Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter will undergo surgery on Saturday to repair a broken left ankle suffered in a Major League Baseball play-off loss, the club announced on Wednesday. Jeter is expected to need four to five months to recover, which would put him back in shape while the Yankees are in their pre-season preparations for the 2013 campaign. The Yankee captain fractured his ankle in the 12th inning of a 6-4 loss to the Detroit Tigers last Saturday in the opening game of the best-of-seven American League Championship Series. Jeter moved to his left to grab a ground ball hit by Detroit's Jhonny Peralta and he fell to the ground as he gloved the ball, then grimaced as he flipped it to a teammate.

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## Nike ends endorsement deal with Armstrong

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Nike, a company that identifies itself with sporting excellence, had no choice but to cut ties with Lance Armstrong in the face of a damning doping report, one sports business expert said Wednesday.

David Carter, a sports business professor at the University of Southern California and executive director of USC's Sports Business Institute, said Nike could no longer afford to stand by Armstrong as it had other disgraced icons.

"I think because his indiscretion cut to the very heart of competition in sport, if he lacks that kind of integrity there's no way a company like Nike can tolerate that," Carter said.

Nike stuck with golf superstar Tiger Woods even as other sponsors dumped him in 2009 in the midst of a sex scandal that wrecked his marriage.

Nike also supported NBA superstar Kobe Bryant when he faced a sexual assault charge in 2003, which was eventually dropped.

NFL quarterback Michael Vick, vilified for his role in a dog-fighting ring, was dropped by Nike but resigned after serving a prison sentence and resuming his gridiron career.

"The other guys' problems were off the field of play," Carter said.



Nike had continued to support Armstrong in August, when the US Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) announced it was banning the Texan for life and stripping him of his seven Tour de France titles for doping infractions.

But last week, USADA issued a massive report detailing the basis for its sanctions, including sworn statements from 26 witnesses, 11 of them former Armstrong teammates who put him at the center of a sophisticated doping program while with the US Postal Service team.

"Due to the seemingly insurmountable evidence that Lance Armstrong participated in doping and misled Nike for more than a decade, it is with great sadness that we have terminated our contract with him," Nike said in a statement, adding that the company

would continue to support Livestrong, the charity the cancer survivor created to help those coping with the disease.

Armstrong stepped down as chairman of the foundation on Wednesday, a move that Carter said was necessary if the charity was to continue its mission.

"There's no way that that foundation could continue to function at a high level with him as the face of the organization," Carter said. "There are just too many questions to be answered if he was going to remain."

"Obviously Livestrong will always be associated with Lance Armstrong, but he can't be the face of it. He understands that."

Armstrong's move will give the organization the chance to "bounce back," Carter said.

"It's hard to tell how far they'll bounce down. The sooner they can create a new environment the better it's going to be for them in terms of getting across the message of what the foundation's all about," he said.

Carter noted that a surprising number of disgraced athletes manage to rehabilitate themselves in the eyes of fans and sponsors.

Armstrong might be different, not only because he was already retired from top-flight cycling when he was banned but also because he has never admitted any wrongdoing.

"He has not taken responsibility."

Meanwhile Brewers Anheuser-Busch InBev will not renew a sponsorship deal with the cycling star an executive said Wednesday.

The firm, which used Armstrong in advertisements for its Michelob Ultra brand beer, said it will continue to support Livestrong, the anti-cancer charity that cancer-survivor Armstrong founded 15 years ago.

"We will continue to support the Livestrong Foundation and its cycling and running events."

Armstrong signed a three-year deal with Anheuser-Busch at the end of 2009.

**Zlatan Ibrahimovic wins the 2012 Golden Foot award**



MONACO - Zlatan Ibrahimovic is the winner of the 2012 Golden Foot, an award for an outstanding player over the age of 29 which is presented in Monaco every year.

Three Spain players were among the finalists: Iker Casillas, Xavi and Puyol. As was Kaká, and two ex-Madrid players - Raúl and Seedorf. The list of candidates was completed by Pirlo, Ibrahimovic, Buffon and Drogba. Monaco's Prince Albert attended the gala ceremony in Monte Carlo.